

A. § 191.53—Exporter's summary is a drawback procedure for which permission is not being delegated by this order.

B. § 191.62—Drawback claims may be filed only with the specified port directors.

C. § 191.136—When a bill of lading is required for completion of a claim that merchandise was exported from continuous Customs custody, only the specified port directors may accept a statement setting forth the reasons for failure to produce the bill of lading.

D. § 191.141—Procedures for "same condition" (now "unused") and rejected merchandise drawback may only be exercised by the specified port directors.

Sec. 2. (A) The authority of the Regional Commissioner, Pacific Region, under 19 CFR § 171.33 to consider and grant relief on supplemental petitions for the District of San Diego, for the pendency of this delegation order is hereby vested in the Fines, Penalties, and Forfeitures Regional Coordinator for the Southwest Region. The authority of the Regional Commissioner, South Central Region, under 19 CFR § 171.33 to consider and grant relief on supplemental petitions, for the pendency of this delegation order, is hereby vested in the Fines, Penalties, and Forfeitures Regional Coordinator for the Southeast Region.

(B) The authority of the Regional Commissioner, Pacific Region, under 19 CFR § 172.33 to consider and grant relief on supplemental petitions for the District of San Diego, for the pendency of this delegation order, is hereby vested in the Fines, Penalties, and Forfeitures Regional Coordinator for the Southwest Region. The authority of the Regional Commissioner, South Central Region, under 19 CFR § 172.33 to consider and grant relief on supplemental petitions, for the pendency of this delegation order, is hereby vested in the Fines, Penalties, and Forfeitures Regional Coordinator for the Southeast Region.

Sec. 3. Pursuant to 19 CFR § 101.2, action by any person pursuant to the authority contained in this Delegation Order shall be valid despite the existence of any statute or regulation, including any provision of the Customs Regulations, which provides that such action shall be taken by some other person. Any person acting under this delegated authority shall be deemed to have complied with any statute or regulation which provides or indicates that it shall be the duty of some other person to perform such action.

Consistent with Customs commitment, as set forth in the Federal Register of August 16, 1994 (at page 41993), these delegations shall not affect the processing of merchandise.

George J. Weise,

Commissioner of Customs.

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Sustainable Growth

ACTION: Notice—Request for proposals.

SUMMARY: The Office of Citizen Exchanges (E/P) announces a competitive grants program for nonprofit organizations in support of projects on the theme of Sustainable Growth for audiences in the following geographical areas: Sub-saharan Africa; American Republics; East Asia; Eastern Europe and the NIS; Middle East; and Western Europe. USIA particularly is seeking projects which link American institutions and specialists with partners overseas. New and creative approaches to the issue of sustainable growth will be especially welcome. Proposals which request USIA funding of less than \$135,000 and which include significant cost sharing will be deemed more competitive.

Interested applicants are urged to read the complete Federal Register announcement before addressing inquiries to the Office or submitting their proposals.

After the deadline for submitting proposals, USIA officers may not discuss this competition in any way with applicants until final decisions are made.

Announcement name and number: All communications concerning this announcement should refer to the Sustainable Growth Grant Program, announcement number E/P-95-43. Please refer to title and number in all correspondence or telephone calls to USIA.

DATES: Deadline for Proposals: All copies must be received at the U.S. Information Agency by 5 p.m. Washington, DC time on March 3, 1995. Faxed documents will not be accepted, nor will documents postmarked on March 3, 1995, but received at a later date. It is the responsibility of each grant applicant to ensure that proposals are received by the above deadline.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Interested organizations/institutions must contact the Office of Citizen Exchanges, E/P, Room 216, United States Information Agency, 301 Fourth Street, SW., Washington, DC 20547, telephone (202) 619-5326, fax (202) 260-0437, to request detailed application packets, which include award criteria, all application forms, and guidelines for preparing proposals, including specific criteria for preparation of the proposal budget. Please direct inquiries on programmatic matters to the USIA Officer identified under each geographic heading.

ADDRESSES: Applicants must follow all instructions given in the Proposal Submission Instructions and send only complete applications to: U.S. Information Agency, REF: E/P-95-43

Sustainable Growth Grant Competition, Grants Management Division (E/XE), 301 Fourth Street, SW., Room 336, Washington, DC 20547.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the legislation authorizing the Bureau of Education and Cultural Affairs, programs must maintain a non-political character and should be balanced and representative of the diversity of American political, social, and cultural life. "Diversity" should be interpreted in the broadest sense and encompass differences including but not limited to race, gender, religion, geographic location, socio-economic status, and physical challenges. Applicants are strongly encouraged to adhere to the advancement of this principle.

Overview

The Office of Citizen Exchanges works with U.S. private sector nonprofit organizations on cooperative international group projects that introduce American and foreign participants to each others' social, economic, and political structures; and their international interests.

Guidelines

Applicants should carefully note the following restrictions and recommendations for proposals in specific geographical areas:

Africa, Sub-Saharan

Economics and the Environment in Africa

Proposals are invited to conduct a person for 3-4 countries in one subregion of Africa (Southern or Eastern or Western Africa) to address environmental issues and their relationship to economic planning. The program should encourage coordination of efforts among the African countries, and it should include at least two phases, one of which would bring African specialists to the U.S., and the other would send U.S. specialists to the selected African subregion. Issues which might be addressed (not necessarily all) include wildlife protection, national parks, environmental law, population dynamics, ecosystem protection, and relationship of such issues to national development planning. Inquiries should be directed to Program Specialist Stephen Taylor, (202) 619-5319, Internet STAYLOR@USIA.GOV

Cultural Property, Tourism, and Economic Development

Proposals are invited to conduct a program for African specialists which would contribute to preservation of

cultural property and national heritage, help publicize cultural attractions and encourage tourism, and address the relationships of these goals to economic planning. The program should address the roles of citizen and government action and encourage cooperation among African countries and the U.S. on these goals. It should also analyze relevant legislation, such as the 1970 UNESCO Convention on Cultural Property and the U.S. Cultural Property Act of 1983. The program should include at least two phases, one of which would bring African specialists to the U.S., and the other would send U.S. specialists to the selected African countries. Inquiries should be directed to Program Specialist Charlotte Peterson, (202) 619-5319, Internet CPETERSO@USIA.GOV

Trade and Sustainable Growth

Proposals are invited to conduct a program for participants from 4-5 African countries which would address issues of trade and investment policies and their relation to national development planning. Issues to be addressed might include incentives for foreign investment, local benefits and problems from foreign investment, impact of tariffs, currency devaluation, development of new exports, and international marketing. Participants in the program might include entrepreneurs, representatives of business associations, government representatives (executive and legislative) or others with influence on these issues. The program should be comprised of at least two phases, one of which would bring African specialists to the U.S. and the other would send U.S. counterparts to participating African countries. Inquiries should be directed to Program Specialist Stephen Taylor, (202) 619-5319, Internet STAYLOR@USIA.GOV

American Republics

In most of this hemisphere, governments, economists, and various "technocratic" experts have come to believe that open markets and minimal government restraint on commercial practices lead to higher macro-economic growth rates. But others fear this approach leaves many businesses and their employees behind, ill-equipped to respond to the rough-and-tumble realities of domestic and international competition. USIA seeks proposals that will utilize exchanges to demonstrate that, while innovation and competition inevitably displace some individuals, the increased competition usually leads to greater prosperity not just for entrepreneurs, but for most citizens.

Programs which illustrate this through visits to and by the citizens of areas affected by business, plant and base closings, the depletion of mineral deposits, the imposition of new environmental standards, etc., are more likely to have an impact than programs relying solely on extended round-table discussions of macro-economic theory and exposure to national economic policy. Priority will be given to projects dealing with logical sub-regional groupings of no more than four countries (e.g., Central America, the Caribbean, Andean nations, etc.), or to single-country projects in large nations with enormous disparities between rich and poor (e.g., Brazil and Mexico). Inquiries should be directed to Program Specialist Laverne Johnson, (202) 619-5326, Internet LJOHNSON@USIA.GOV

East Asia

Burmese Environmental Project

Proposals are invited to conduct a project that provides an exchange between Burmese non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and U.S. NGOs to examine, through workshops and professional consultation, the role of NGOs in grassroots environmental education and awareness, and the use and promotion of environmentally-appropriate technologies in developing countries.

Burmese Cultural Heritage

Proposals are invited to conduct a project for Burmese NGO representatives, academics, and selected government officials to examine problems of cultural and natural heritage preservation in the face of economic development, and the role of citizen and government action. Projects would examine U.S. approaches to historic preservation and rational economic development.

Thai Cultural Heritage

Project for Thai NGO activists, journalists and selected government officials to examine problems of cultural and natural heritage preservation in the face of economic development, and the role of citizen and government action. Projects would examine U.S. approaches to historic preservation and rational economic development. Inquiries should be directed to Program Specialist Elroy Carlson, (202) 619-5326, Internet ECARLSON@USIA.GOV

Middle East

Environmental Education in the Eastern Mediterranean

Proposals are invited for a program to assist scientists and educators in

countries of the Eastern Mediterranean (Syria, Jordan, Lebanon, Israel, Egypt, and the Palestinian Authority) in developing national and regional approaches to incorporating environmental research into university and secondary educational curricula, developing formal environmental education, and promoting general public environmental awareness. The program should include at least two phases, one of which would bring Middle Eastern specialists to the U.S. for approximately one month to consult and work with American specialists on developing curricula, texts, strategies for outreach, and the like. The other phase would send U.S. specialists who had participated in phase one to the Eastern Mediterranean to conduct, in collaboration with their Middle Eastern counterparts, activities such as teacher-training workshops, network building across participant countries, setting plans for cross-country collaboration of educators and their outreach to communities and governments.

Inquiries should be directed to Program Specialist Thomas Johnston, (202) 619-5319, Internet TJOHNSTO@USIA.GOV

Water Resources Management in the Gulf States

Proposals are invited for a multi-phased program to address the interrelated issues of water resources management, environmental protection, and sustainable economic development in Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Bahrain, United Arab Emirates, and Oman. Emphasis should be given to facilitating interaction among specialists in these countries and U.S. counterparts for the sharing of ideas and to develop a feasible plan for governmental and NGO action in addressing these topics. The program design should include activities in both the United States and the Gulf which would cover an assessment of needs, development of collaborative networks and action agendas, as well as outreach to wider audiences. At least one phase would bring specialists from the Gulf to the U.S. and one phase would send U.S. specialists to the Gulf. Inquiries should be directed to Program Specialist Thomas Johnston, (202) 619-5319, Internet TJOHNSTO@USIA.GOV

Western Europe

Pacific Northwest Environment Cooperation

USIA seeks a proposal designed to exchange environmental experts between the states of the Pacific Northwest and British Columbia. The exchange would involve environmental

leaders, specialists in environmental law, and representatives of the governments of British Columbia, Washington, and Oregon, who would arrange for reciprocal visits to research comparative environmental law in their jurisdictions, culminating in their drafting recommendations to their respective governments. Inquiries should be directed to Program Specialist Christina Miner, (202) 619-5319, Internet CMINER@USIA.GOV

Program Parameters

The Office of Citizen Exchanges strongly encourages the coordination of activities with respected universities, professional associations, and major cultural institutions in the U.S. and abroad, but particularly in the U.S. Projects should be intellectual and cultural, not technical. Vocational training (an occupation other than one requiring a baccalaureate or higher academic degree; e.g., clerical work, auto maintenance, etc. and other occupations requiring less than two years of higher education) and technical training (special and practical knowledge of a mechanical or a scientific subject which enhances mechanical, narrowly scientific, or semi-skilled capabilities) are ineligible for support. In addition, scholarship programs are ineligible for support.

The Office does not support proposals limited to conferences or seminars (i.e., one to fourteen-day programs with plenary sessions, main speakers, panels, and a passive audience). It will support conferences only insofar as they are part of a larger project in duration and scope which is receiving USIA funding from this competition. USIA-supported projects may include internships; study tours; short-term, non-technical training; and extended, intensive workshops taking place in the United States or overseas. The themes addressed in exchange programs must be of long-term importance rather than focused exclusively on current events or short-term issues. In every case, a substantial rationale must be presented as part of the proposal, one that clearly indicates the distinctive and important contribution of the overall project, including where applicable the expected yield of any associated conference. No funding is available exclusively to send U.S. citizens to conferences or conference-type seminars overseas; neither is funding available for bringing foreign nationals to conferences or to routine professional association meetings in the United States. Projects that duplicate what is routinely carried out by private sector and/or public sector operations will not

be considered. The Office of Citizen Exchanges strongly recommends that applicants consult with host country USIS posts, prior to submitting proposals.

Selection of Participants

All grant proposals should clearly describe the types of persons who will participate in the program as well as the process by which participants will be selected. It is recommended that programs in support U.S. internships include letters tentatively committing host institutions to support the internships. In the selection of foreign participants, USIA and USIS posts retain the right to nominate all participants and to accept or deny participants recommended by grantee institutions. However, grantee institutions are often asked by USIA to suggest names of potential participants. The grantee institution will also provide the names of American participants and brief (two pages) biographical data on each American participant to the Office of Citizen Exchanges for information purposes. Priority will be given to foreign participants who have not previously traveled to the United States.

Additional Guidance

The Office of Citizen Exchanges offers the following additional guidance to prospective applicants:

1. Except where noted in the text, the Office of Citizen Exchanges encourages project proposals involving more than one country. Pertinent rationale which links countries in multi-country projects should be included in the submission. Single-country projects that are clearly defined and possess the potential for creating and strengthening continuing linkages between foreign and U.S. institutions are also welcome.
2. Proposals for bilateral programs are subject to review and comment by the USIS post in the relevant country, and pre-selected participants will also be subject to USIS post review.
3. Bilateral programs should clearly identify the counterpart organization and provide evidence of the organization's participation.
4. The Office of Citizen Exchanges will consider proposals for activities which take place exclusively in other countries when USIS posts are consulted in the design of the proposed program and in the choice of the most suitable venues for such programs.
5. Office of Citizen Exchanges grants are not given to support projects whose focus is limited to technical or vocational subjects, or for research projects, for publications funding, for student and/or teacher/faculty

exchanges, for sports and/or sports related programs. Nor does this Office provide scholarships or support for long-term (a semester or more) academic studies.

Funding

Proposals which request USIA funding of less than \$135,000 and which include significant cost sharing will be deemed more competitive. Organizations with less than four years of successful experience in managing international exchange programs are limited to \$60,000. Applicants are invited to provide both an all-inclusive budget as well as separate sub-budgets for each program component, phase, location, or activity in order to facilitate USIA decisions on funding. While an all-inclusive budget must be provided with each proposal, separate component budgets are optional. Since USIA grant assistance constitutes only a portion of total project funding, proposals should list and provide evidence of other anticipated sources of financial and in-kind support. Cost sharing may be in the form of allowable direct or indirect costs.

The Recipient must maintain written records to support all allowable costs which are claimed as being its contribution to cost participation, as well as costs to be paid by the Federal government. Such records are subject to audit. The basis for determining the value of cash and in-kind contributions must be in accordance with OMB Circular A-110, Attachment E—Cost Sharing and Matching, and should be described in the proposal.

Eligible Costs

The following project costs are eligible for consideration for funding:

1. International and domestic air fares; visas; transit costs; ground transportation costs.
2. Per Diem. For the U.S. program, organizations have the option of using a flat \$140/day for program participants or the published U.S. Federal per diem rates for individual American cities. For activities outside the U.S., the published Federal per diem rates must be used.

Note: U.S. escorting staff must use the published Federal per diem rates, not the flat rate.

3. Interpreters. If needed, interpreters for the U.S. program are provided by the U.S. State Department Language Services Division. Typically, a pair of simultaneous interpreters is provided for every four visitors who need interpretation. USIA grants do not pay for foreign interpreters to accompany delegations from their home country.

Grant proposal budgets should contain a flat \$140/day per diem for each Department of State interpreter, as well as home-program-home air transportation of \$400 per interpreter plus any U.S. travel expenses during the program. Salary expenses are covered centrally and should not be part of an applicant's proposed budget.

4. Book and cultural allowance. Participants are entitled to and escorts are reimbursed a one-time cultural allowance of \$150 per person, plus a participant book allowance of \$50. U.S. staff do not get these benefits.

5. Consultants. May be used to provide specialized expertise or to make presentations. Daily honoraria generally do not exceed \$250 per day.

Subcontracting organizations may also be used, in which case the written agreement between the prospective grantee and subcontractor should be included in the proposal.

6. Room rental, which generally should not exceed \$250 per day.

7. Materials development. Proposals may contain costs to purchase, develop, and translate materials for participants.

8. One working meal per project. Per capita costs may not exceed \$5-8 for a lunch and \$14-20 for a dinner; excluding room rental. The number of invited guests may not exceed participants by more than a factor of two to one.

9. A return travel allowance of \$70 for each participant which is to be used for incidental expenditures incurred during international travel.

10. In most cases, USIA-funded delegates will be covered under the terms of a USIA-sponsored health insurance policy with the premium is paid by USIA directly to the insurance company. For additional information on insurance coverage, contact the E/P program officer.

11. Other costs necessary for the effective administration of the program, including salaries for grant organization employees, benefits, and other direct and indirect costs per detailed instructions in the application package. Please refer to the Application Package for complete budget guidelines.

Review Process

USIA will acknowledge receipt of all proposals and will review them for technical eligibility. Proposals will be deemed ineligible if they do not fully adhere to the guidelines established herein and in the Application Packet. Eligible proposals will be forwarded to panels of USIA officers for advisory review. All eligible proposals will also be reviewed by the budget and contract offices, as well the USIA geographic

regional office and the USIS post overseas, where appropriate. Proposals may also be reviewed by the USIA's Office of General Counsel or by other Agency elements. Funding decisions are at the discretion of the USIA Associate Director for Educational and Cultural Affairs. Final technical authority for grant awards resides with USIA's contracting officer.

Review Criteria

USIA will consider proposals based on their conformance with the objectives and considerations already stated in this RFP, as well as the following criteria:

1. Quality of Program Idea

Proposals should exhibit originality, substance, precision, and relevance to the Agency mission.

2. Program Planning

Detailed agenda and relevant work plan should demonstrate substance undertakings and logistical capacity. Agenda and plan should adhere to the program overview and guidelines described above.

3. Ability to Achieve Program Objectives

Objectives should be reasonable, feasible, and flexible. Proposal should clearly demonstrate how the institution will meet the program objectives and plan.

4. Multiplier Effect

Proposed programs should strengthen long-term mutual understanding, including maximum sharing of information and establishment of long-term institutional and individual linkages.

5. Value to U.S.—Partner Country Relations

Proposed projects should receive positive assessments by USIA's geographic area desk and overseas officers of program need, potential impact, and significance in the partner.

6. Institutional Capacity

Proposed personnel and institutional resources should be adequate and appropriate to achieve the program or project's goal.

7. Institution Reputation/Ability

Proposal should demonstrate an institutional record of successful exchange programs, including responsible fiscal management and full compliance with all reporting requirements for past Agency grants as determined by USIA's Office of Contracts. The Agency will consider the

past performance of prior recipients and the demonstrated potential of new applicants.

8. Follow-On Activities

Proposals should provide a plan for continued follow-on activity (without USIA support) which ensures that USIA supported programs are not isolated events.

9. Evaluation Plan

Proposals should provide a plan for a thorough and objective evaluation of the program/project by the grantee institution.

10. Cost-Effectiveness

The overhead and administrative components of the proposal, including salaries and honoraria, should be kept as low as possible. All other items should be necessary and appropriate.

11. Cost-Sharing

Proposals should maximize cost-sharing through other private sector support as well as institutional direct funding contributions.

12. Support of Diversity

Proposal should demonstrate the recipients' commitment to promoting the awareness and understanding of diversity throughout the program. This can be accomplished through documentation (such as a written statement or account) summarizing past and/or on-going activities and efforts that further the principle of diversity within both their organization and their activities.

Notice

The Office of Citizen Exchanges reserves the right to reduce, revise, or increase the grant award. The terms and conditions published in the Request for Proposal (RFP) are binding and may not be modified by any USIA representative. Explanatory information provided by USIA that contradicts published language will not be binding. Issuance of the RFP does not constitute an award commitment on the part of the Government. Final awards cannot be made until funds have been fully appropriated by the Congress, allocated and committed through internal USIA procedures.

Notification

All applicants will be notified of the results of the review process on or about April 28, 1995. Awarded grants will be subject to periodic reporting and evaluation requirements.

Dated: January 11, 1995.

Dell Pendergrast,

Deputy Associate Director, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs.

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Conflict Resolution

ACTION: Notice—Request for proposals.

SUMMARY: The Office of Citizen Exchanges (E/P) announces a competitive grants program for nonprofit organizations in support of projects on the theme of Conflict Resolution for audiences in the following geographical areas: Sub-saharan Africa; American Republics; East Asia (Korea, regional); Eastern Europe and the NIS; South Asia; and Western Europe (Northern Ireland, Greece-Cyprus-Turkey). USIA particularly is seeking projects which link American institutions and specialists with partners overseas. New and creative approaches to the issue of conflict resolution will be especially welcome. Proposals which request USIA funding of less than \$135,000 and which include significant cost sharing will be deemed more competitive.

Interested applicants are urged to read the complete Federal Register announcement before addressing inquiries to the Office or submitting their proposals.

After the deadline for submitting proposals, USIA officers may not discuss this competition in any way with applicants until final decisions are made.

Announcement name and number: All communications concerning this announcement should refer to the Conflict Resolution Grant Program, announcement number E/P-95-39. Please refer to title and number in all correspondence or telephone calls to USIA.

DATES: Deadline for Proposals: All copies must be received at the U.S. Information Agency by 5 p.m. Washington, D.C. time on March 3, 1995. Faxed documents will not be accepted, nor will documents postmarked on March 3, 1995, but received at a later date. It is the responsibility of each grant applicant to ensure that proposals are received by the above deadline.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Interested organizations/institutions must contact the Office of Citizen Exchanges, E/PL, Room 216, United States Information Agency, 301 4th Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20547, telephone (202) 619-5326, fax (202)

260-0437, to request detailed application packets, which include award criteria, all application forms, and guidelines for preparing proposals, including specific criteria for preparation of the proposal budget. Please direct inquiries on programmatic matters to the USIA Officer identified under each geographic heading.

ADDRESSES: Applicants must follow all instructions given in the Proposal Submission Instructions (PSI) and send only complete applications to: U.S. Information Agency, REF: E/P-95-39 Conflict Resolution Grant Competition, Grants Management Division (E/XE), 301 Fourth Street, S.W., Room 336, Washington, D.C. 20547.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the legislation authorizing the Bureau of Education and Cultural Affairs, programs must maintain a non-political character and should be balanced and representative of the diversity of American political, social, and cultural life. "Diversity" should be interpreted in the broadest sense and encompass differences including but not limited to race, gender, religion, geographic location, socio-economic status, and physical challenges. Applicants are strongly encouraged to adhere to the advancement of this principle.

Overview

The Office of Citizen Exchanges works with U.S. private sector nonprofit organizations on cooperative international group projects that introduce American and foreign participants to each others' social, economic, and political structures; and international interests.

Guidelines

Applicants should carefully note the following restrictions and recommendations for proposals in specific geographical areas:

Africa, Sub-Saharan

Proposals are invited to conduct a program to promote democratic society through the constructive management of conflict. The program can be defined at the local level or national level for one or more countries in Sub-saharan Africa. When conflict has arisen along religious, cultural, linguistic, or class lines, it is usually framed in pejorative or narrow terms which impede understanding and resolution. Sometimes, conflict has been fomented along such lines for political purposes. This program should address such problems by helping to develop skills to frame issues in non-disparaging terms which are amenable to negotiation and consensus building and to develop

mechanisms for making community decisions and managing power in ways which respect diversity while advancing common interests. The program should be comprised of at least two phases, one of which would bring African participants to the U.S., and the other phase would send U.S. counterparts to Africa.

Inquiries should be directed to Program Specialist Charlotte Peterson, (202) 619-5319, Internet CPETERSO@USIA.GOV

American Republics

USIA is interested in receiving proposals for the development of exchange programs to support conflict resolution in Haiti. Observers have long attributed that country's historic inability to construct a modern civil society at least in part to a "winner take all" attitude that governs relationships at every level. In a populace that is sharply divided in almost every way imaginable—rich and poor, rural and urban, educated and illiterate, civil and military, etc.—with almost nothing in between, there is little incentive or precedent for compromise. Instead, each side is continuously at war with the other, resulting in predictable cycles of victimization, aggression, retaliation and revenge. Proposing organizations should seek to work with indigenous counterparts that can help to introduce and then to institutionalize functional conflict resolution strategies in Haiti. Inquiries should be directed to Program Specialist Laverne Johnson, (202) 619-5326, Internet LJOHNSON@USIA.GOV

Western Europe

USIA is interested in receiving projects for Western Europe in the following fields:

- Proposals on Northern Ireland presenting creative ideas to exchange grassroots/community based participants to study models of reconciliation and mediation techniques through site visits, workshops and internships;
- Proposals for Greece, Cyprus and Turkey designed to improve professional media skills. The program might commence with a four to six week seminar for participants from the three countries which would serve to establish linkages between the media in the three countries, and their American counterparts, and perhaps challenge some of the stereotypes about each country. This program should include a minimum of a one-week internship with either a TV station, radio station, or newspapers in order for the participants to have first-hand